

**Friends of Dover Free Library Meeting  
Wednesday, September 9, 2009, at 9:30 A.M.  
in DFL's Community Room**

**Present:** Judy LaFiura, John Flores, Barbara Gillott, Mary Beth McGovern, Judy Jones, Connie Wisse, Pat Bowen, Marcy McElroy, Patti Buck

**Acceptance of August 12th Minutes:** The Minutes of the August 12th meeting were accepted.

**Financial Report:** Treasurer, Pat Bowen, reported the current FoDFL balance to be \$1,719.46. The cost of two summer children's programs, advertising and toner for the donated fax machine was \$596.38. Pat will investigate an unexplained bank debit of \$178.50 and report on this at the October meeting.

**DFL Director's Report:**

- John reported that books on the foyer shelves continue to be purchased.
- He passed out information on a new library program which allows the accessing of world news with paid ads excluded; this program includes the New York Times, Washington Post, local and international newspapers. The library will access this for three months free and then will subscribe. Information about this is available at the library desk.

- John asked the Friends to devise a plan for getting Dover Day (Sept. 26th) visitors to come to the DFL for the planned Open House and Book Sale. Patti, on behalf of the Dover Day Committee, sent a letter to the Deerfield Valley News explaining what the DFL is offering the public on this day. John will be placing an ad in the DVN inviting folks visiting the Dover Day event to come to the Library. Next year he hopes that a wildlife specialist, sponsored by the DFL, might be available to speak during Dover Day.

- Tamara reported that she has evaluated the summer Reading program. She thanked the Friends for their contribution to the program's success. The two programs that did the best were ones sponsored by FoDFL. Her formal report will be available for the FoDFL's October meeting.

- Tamara will be weeding books from the Children's Library for the Book Sale.

**Dover Day Book Sale:**

- Judy LaFiura passed out a sign up sheet to solicit volunteers for this event. Prior to today only four people have signed up, and no one has volunteered to help with the actual sale. Judy met with John earlier about having this year's sale in the DFL foyer instead of under the big tent in front of the Town Hall; this would avoid the need to move books to the Town Hall. Tables and carts will be available

- Chalk footprints and arrow posts from previous DFL Garden Tours will provide clear directions from the Town Hall to the Book Sale.

- One-Dollar-Off coupons, in library card format, will be passed out at the DD event encouraging attendees to visit the library's Book Sale. Pat will print these on card stock.

- This year bags of books will be offered at \$6 each.

- A small tent, offered by Phil Bowen, will be placed in front of the DFL so that the book sale may be more visible to those attending Dover Day at the Town Hall.

- Mary Beth will look into free radio advertising.

- Student help will be sought to assist with the sale; Patti will telephone prospective volunteers.

- DFL Trustees will be asked for assistance during the event.

- Boxes, shelves and a wheeled-cart were offered by Friends to be used as needed.

- Friends volunteered pre-sale work time on Tuesday, Sept. 22nd 5 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday, Sept. 23rd, 10 am to noon. The library still needs volunteers to set up Friday, Sept. 25th, and to operate the sale (one hour shifts) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday the 26th. If Friends need to be alerted to changes in schedule et. al., a volunteer is needed to head up a phone chain. Volunteers for sale clean up are also needed.

**Gift of Time:** Connie reported that committee chairs, Carol Lucas and Pat Bowen, will give a complete report at the October FoDFL meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

**Special Note: The next FoDFL meeting will take place at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 7th instead of the 14th. If you are unable to accommodate this change, please email Judy LaFiura.**

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Buck  
FoDFL Secretary